

Social and Personal.

THE second German given by the Richmond German Club will be danced this evening in the ballroom of the Masonic Temple. The approaching holiday festivities and the presence of many out-of-town guests will lend a great deal to the gaiety of the evening, and the event will be a very brilliant one.

In honor of Miss Michie.

Mrs. R. Churchill Young gave a delightful bridge luncheon on Saturday afternoon at her home, 120 Shafter Street, in honor of Miss Fannie Miller and her house guests, Miss Margaret Michie, of Washington. Decorations were in pink roses and pink baskets as dainty place cards.

Mrs. Young's guests were: Misses Rosalie Valentine, Mary Saunders, Lucy Ford, Wortham, Charlotte, Bemles, Katherine Gunn, Cary Valentine, Frances Wheat, Mary Crump, Eleanor Lindsey, Mary Cooke Branch, Helen Adams, Edith Taylor, Frances Myers, Elsie Ingram, Roberta Hamilton, Mary Heath Davenport, Nora Leary and Helen Strange, of Wilmington, N. C.

Miss Michie has been very much admired during her stay in Richmond, and has been entertained at a number of charming informal affairs. Later she will go to join her father's regiment in the Philippine Islands.

Mrs. Harris Entertained.

Mrs. A. B. Harris, of Chicago, who is visiting Mrs. W. H. Hootnagle, of this city, has been the guest of honor at several beautiful entertainments.

Mrs. Bessie Langham, of Ashland, was the hostess on Friday afternoon at a most delightful bridge party given in honor of Mrs. A. B. Harris, of Chicago. Festoons of Christmas bells, great bunches of holly, and mistletoe tied with red ribbon gave the rooms quite a holiday appearance. The score cards were dainty little holly wreaths. Those playing were Mrs. W. Lasher, Mrs. Bernard Guest, Mrs. Charles Forties, Mrs. Frank Wright, Mrs. M. D. Hart, Mrs. Lou Redd, Miss Nannie Allen, Miss Annie Dowell, Mrs. Alex. Guilbert, Mrs. James Cheney, Mrs. Tate Cheney, Mrs. Henry Carter, Mrs. Beachy Elmer, Mrs. Ernest Gray, Mrs. Frank Wright, Mrs. Riddick, Mrs. Carr, Mrs. John Addison, Mrs. Harry Smith, of Horn Quarter; Mrs. Schooner Fox, Mrs. James Cox, Mrs. Clarence Wright, Miss Mamie Jones, Mrs. Dally, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. G. B. Sydnor, Mrs. A. P. Wilmer, of Richmond; Mrs. W. H. Hootnagle, Mrs. Horace Buchanan, of Richmond, and Mrs. Harris, of Chicago.

The first prize was a red poppy lettuce dish, and was won by Mrs. James Cheney, and the guest prize, a handsome brass vase, was awarded to Mrs. A. P. Wilmer. Mrs. Wilmer had the highest score in the evening. Mrs. Henry Carter also entertained at luncheon on Friday in honor of Mrs. Harris. The guests were Mrs. Harris, Mrs. William H. Hootnagle, Mrs. James Cox, Mrs. Bessie Langham.

Mrs. Moore's Tea.

Mrs. Julia Grant Moore entertained last Thursday afternoon in her home at Fourth and Franklin Streets, at an informal tea. Mrs. Moore was assisted in receiving by her daughters, Misses Julia Grant and May Moore, and Mrs. Preston Cooke. Mrs. R. S. Boshier presided at the punch bowl, and the rooms were effectively decorated with greenery and vases of pink carnations.

Hostess at Woman's Club.

Miss Kate Winston and Miss Annie Winston will be the hostesses at the Woman's Club this afternoon. Mrs. A. J. Lefroy and Miss Helen Montague will pour tea, and Mrs. William Crenshaw and Mrs. H. P. Atkins will preside at the coffee table.

Guests of Mrs. R. Martin, of Duluth, and Mr. and Mrs. Macon Martin, of Atlanta, Ga., are the guests of Mrs. W. K. Martin, in this city, for some time.

Miss Page's Engagement.

Mrs. R. Royall Page, of "Saratooga," Clarke county, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Susan Page, to Roy T. Mitchell. The wedding will be celebrated very quietly on Tuesday, January 4, in Christ Church, Millwood, Va. There will be no cards issued, and only the relatives and most intimate friends of the bride and groom will be present.

The marriage is of considerable interest to Richmond society, as Miss Page is a daughter of the late Mr. Royall Page, who was a prominent citizen of this city.

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Page has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nelson Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Peter H. Mayo and Miss Julia Joyner on several occasions.

The philanthropic committee of the Council of Jewish Juniors will give an attractive play called "Help Wanted" at the Jefferson Club December 14, at 8:30 o'clock. The play will be followed by a dance.

Board Meets at Noon.

The members of the Board of the Sheltering Arms Hospital will meet today at noon at the hospital. All members are requested to be present.

Entertained at Luncheon.

Miss Hallie Vaughan was hostess at a very delightful luncheon last week in her home in Ashland. Decorations were in pink roses and candies, and those present were Misses Lucy Gwathmey, Martha Hughes and Margaret Chevington, all of Richmond.

St. John's Circle.

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Among the Books and Magazines

"The Master."

By Irving Bacheller. Doubleday, Page & Co., of New York. \$1.50.

Irving Bacheller has written his new novel with a high and noble purpose that clergyman everywhere are testifying as to its spiritual and ethical value. They are commending the strong plea for universal peace made by the author in a book and the fact that otherwise it is so full of that human sympathy upon which the brotherhood of man is based.

Out of an Isle of the sky in the Canadian wilderness, pictured with unusual beauty of imagination, the writer has, in this novel, ushered into the world of men and women a man who has been brought up with only the Book of Nature as his teacher, who is richly endowed with a mentality, but one who has in his heart above everything else a love of peace and a desire to help humanity. This man, in his sublimely dwelling among the good and following the trade of a shoemaker, in his caring nothing for fame or wealth, and in his constant renunciation and self-sacrifice for the good of others, exemplifies Irving Bacheller's idea of the man of to-day, living according to the Christ-like idea and rule, and making the world and people around him better with the result of his love and his power to uplift.

In his hero's life the author has pictured clean, fair-minded young manhood, upright and resolute in character and work, loving with the same strength and directness that marks him out elsewhere, and clearly indicating all that he feels to the young man who is the object of his devotion, one who is womanly enough to give up hopes of possible grandeur to become plain Mrs. Richard Holm.

The villain of the book demonstrates the effect over a man's physical and mental kingdom produced by a constant subordination to low and sordid acting and thinking, so that when the tragedy of his fate comes upon him it just breaks in two, stands in a loom of life where the weaver "has had no right to put the loom."

The plot in the story hinges upon the coming of a young Englishman, Richard Holm, to America. His object in coming is to find his uncle, Dr. David Holm, who is a well-known name to his uncle's whereabouts, and, before he follows it up, circumstances throw him, while in New York, into association with Roger Rink, captain of the Susquehanna, a merchant vessel, and end of trouble and mischief. Ben Lovel, a sincere philanthropist; Ruth Horton, a girl who knows her own mind; her father, a self-made millionaire; the members of a literary club, holding their meetings at the Lanthorne, and Condon, head of a great labor organization with branches all over the world, that is known as the "Tollers' Chain." Two of the best characters in the book are Mrs. Lathorne and her daughter, the latter rescued by Ben Lovel from a life of shame and placed where she, with her mother, has an opportunity for honest work in safe and protected surroundings.

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The revolt of the hill tribes in the United States is the theme of the novel, and it is a very interesting picture of the romance. The book is written from a comprehending and comprehensive point of view, as far as Anglo-Indian life is concerned, the tone of the book is healthy and refreshingly moral.

The book, as the author says, completes a trilogy of novels designed with a view to giving a fuller presentation of Indian frontier life than the scope of one would permit. It is divided into four parts, the last of which indicates the nature of the conclusion by its being called "The Gate of Dawn."

Recent Americana

"Historic Houses of Virginia."

By R. A. Lancaster, Jr. The Bell Book and Stationery Company, of Richmond. An important publication of the near future; 500 pp.; 250 illustrations. Octavo. Art canvas binding. \$5.00.

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By Barrett Wendell, professor of English at Harvard University. Charles Scribner's Sons, of New York. \$1.25 net.

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"Later Day Problems."

By J. J. Laing, of the University of Virginia. Charles Scribner's Sons, of New York. \$1.50 net.

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Two other most attractive holiday books from the same house are Amelle Rivers' "Trix and Over the Moon," and James Branch Cabell's wealth of troubadour adulation and knightly grandeur which he calls a tale of English queens, under the title of "Chivalry."

"Cupid's Almanac."

Herford and John Cecil Clay have collaborated in "Cupid's Almanac," which appears along with the holiday publications which Houghton, Mifflin & Co., of Boston, have published, with many illustrations from Lowell, and "Italian Hours," by Henry James, are among some of their delightful gift books.

There are "Veronica Playfair," by Maud Wilder Goodwin; "Old Boston Ways and Days," by Mary Caroline Crawford, and "The Land of Long Ago," by Eliza Calvert Hall, among the large number which Little, Brown & Co., of Boston, have contributed to the best of the Christmas output.

"The Master of Game."

Among the gift books issued by Duffield & Co., of New York, are "The Master of Game," by Edward Second Duke of Devonshire, and "The Duke of Devonshire's Story," by the original manuscript; "One Irish Summer," by William Elmyr Curtis, and Richard Whytford's translation of "The Imitation of Christ," by Thomas A'Kempis, with many illustrations from Raynold and color pictures by W. Russell Flint.

A fairy tale classic by George MacDonald, "At the Back of the North Wind," "A Dog of Flanders," by Ouida; "Pinn, the Wolfhound," by A. J. Dawson; "Longshore Boys," by William O. Stoddard, Jr.; "Brave Bob," by Andrew Horn, are some of the holiday gifts to be found among what J. B. Lippincott & Co., of Philadelphia, have published for children.

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